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First Named Applicant	ANDERSON, 35 USC 154(b) term ext. = 0 Days.			

TITLE OF INVENTION SYSTEM/METHOD FOR CONTROLLING PARAMETERS IN HAND-HELD DIGITAL CAMERA WITH SELECTABLE PARAMETER SCRIPTS, AND WITH COMMAND FOR RETRIEVING CAMERA CAPABILITIES AND ASSOCIATED PERMISSIBLE PARAMETER VALUES

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THE APPLICATION IDENTIFIED ABOVE HAS BEEN EXAMINED AND IS ALLOWED FOR ISSUANCE AS A PATENT. PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS CLOSED.

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Notice of AllowabilityApplication No.
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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course.

☒ This communication is responsive to communications filed on 03/14/2000 and 04/13/2000

☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-29

☐ The drawings filed on _____ are acceptable.

☐ Acknowledgement is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d).

☐ All ☐ Some* ☒ None of the CERTIFIED copies of the priority documents have been
☐ received.

☐ received in Application No. (Series Code/Serial Number) _____

☐ received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

*Certified copies not received: _____

☐ Acknowledgement is made of a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e).

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☐ Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL APPLICATION, PTO-152, which discloses that the oath or declaration is deficient. A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION IS REQUIRED.

☒ Applicant MUST submit NEW FORMAL DRAWINGS

☒ because the originally filed drawings were declared by applicant to be informal.

☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review, PTO-948, attached hereto or to Paper No. _____

☒ including changes required by the proposed drawing correction filed on Jul 26, 1999, which has been approved by the examiner.

☒ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment/Comment.

Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the reverse side of the drawings. The drawings should be filed as a separate paper with a transmittal letter addressed to the Official Draftsperson.

☐ Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Any response to this letter should include, in the upper right hand corner, the APPLICATION NUMBER (SERIES CODE/SERIAL NUMBER). If applicant has received a Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due, the ISSUE BATCH NUMBER and DATE of the NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE should also be included.

Attachment(s)

☒ Notice of References Cited, PTO-892

☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s), PTO-1449, Paper No(s). _____

☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review, PTO-948

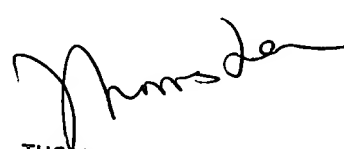
☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application, PTO-152

☐ Interview Summary, PTO-413

☒ Examiner's Amendment/Comment

☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material

☐ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance


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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Stephen G. Sullivan, Attorney for Applicant (Reg. No. 38,329) on June 1, 2000.

2. The application has been amended as follows:

Claim 9, line 3: ~~deleted~~ "device".

Claim 19, line 13: ~~deleted~~ "device".

Claim 21, line 10: ~~replaced~~ "camera" with --device--.

Claim 21, line 13: ~~deleted~~ "device".

Claim 22, line 3: ~~deleted~~ "device".

Claim 22, line 13: ~~deleted~~ "device".

Claim 28, line 3: ~~deleted~~ "device".

Drawings

3. The proposed drawing correction and/or the proposed substitute sheets of drawings, filed on 07/26/99 (Paper # 7) have been approved.

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4. The application having been allowed, formal drawings are required in response to this Office action.

5. Formal drawings are now required and must be filed within the THREE MONTH shortened statutory period set for reply in the "NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY" (PTOL-37 or PTO-37). Extensions of time may be obtained under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). Failure to timely submit the drawings will result in **ABANDONMENT** of the application. The drawings should be submitted as a separate paper with a transmittal letter which is addressed to the Official Draftsperson. The art unit number, application number and number of drawing sheets should be written on the reverse side of the drawings.

6. New formal drawings are required in this application because the originally filed drawings were declared by applicant to be informal and the corrected or substitute drawings for the proposed correction filed on 07/26/99 have not been submitted. Applicant is advised to employ the services of a competent patent draftsperson outside the Office, as the Patent and Trademark Office no longer prepares new drawings.

7. Pursuant to MPEP 606.01, the title has been changed to read:

**-SYSTEM / METHOD FOR CONTROLLING PARAMETERS IN HAND-
HELD DIGITAL CAMERA WITH SELECTABLE PARAMETER SCRIPTS, AND**

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**WITH COMMAND FOR RETRIEVING CAMERA CAPABILITIES AND
ASSOCIATED PERMISSIBLE PARAMETER VALUES--.**

8. Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee.

Conclusion

9. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Thanh Quang Nguyen whose telephone number is (703) 305-0138, and whose e-mail address is tanh.nguyen36@uspto.gov. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday from 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Thomas Lee, can be reached on (703) 305-9717. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is (703) 306-5404.

Any inquiry of a general nature relating to the status of this application should be directed to the Group receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 305-3900.

Mail responses to this action should be sent to:

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(703) 308-9051,

or, for informal or draft communications, to:

(703) 306-5404 (please label "PROPOSED" or "DRAFT").

Hand-delivered responses should be brought to:

Crystal Park II, 2121 Crystal Drive, Arlington, Va, Sixth Floor (Receptionist).



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